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Ms. Laurie Wilgosh Chief Administrative Officer Town of Pincher Creek Box 159 Pincher Creek, AB T0K 1W0

Dear Ms. Wilgosh:

Your participation and cooperation during the municipal accountability review conducted in June 2021 for the Town of Pincher Creek is greatly appreciated. On behalf of the Minister, I have accepted the Town of Pincher Creek's Municipal Accountability Review Report as prepared by the Municipal Affairs staff who met with you. I am confident the outcomes will be beneficial for the ongoing successful administration of the town.

Attached is a copy of the report, which identifies areas of legislative compliance, as well as areas deemed to be legislatively non-compliant and requiring attention. Recommendations and resources are also offered to assist in remedying any legislative gaps. To ensure legislative gaps are addressed, please prepare a response to the report, including a plan detailing the actions to be taken to rectify these issues, and submit this response to my office eight weeks after you receive this letter. The response must include a timeline for completion, which is not to exceed one year.

You may email your response plan to MAP@gov.ab.ca, or send it by mail to:

Municipal Affairs – Municipal Services Division Attention: Desiree Kuori 17<sup>th</sup> floor, Commerce Place 10155 – 102 Street Edmonton AB T5J 4L4

As ministry staff discussed with you during the review, it is expected the Municipal Accountability Review report will be shared with your council as a way to build awareness of the diversity of municipal responsibilities. Municipal Affairs does not deem the report to be confidential in nature and encourages sharing the results in a public meeting to demonstrate accountability and transparency with town citizens.

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Municipal Affairs is committed to maintaining a collaborative working relationship with you as the Chief Administrative Officer for your municipality. We are available to help you address the non-compliant matters identified in the report and welcome your feedback on our review process.

For further information, please contact Desiree Kuori, Municipal Accountability Advisor, toll-free at 310-0000, then 780-644-8528.

Yours truly,

Gary Sandberg

**Assistant Deputy Minister** 

Attachment: Town of Pincher Creek Municipal Accountability Review Report

cc: Honourable Ric McIver, Minister of Municipal Affairs
Brandy Cox, Deputy Minister, Municipal Affairs
Desiree Kuori, Municipal Accountability Advisor, Municipal Affairs